## EPIC Block Club 2008-09 Year

In the 2008-09 year, EPIC Block Club members:

- Continued to represent EPIC on the boards of the Edgewater Community Council and Edgewater Development Corporation, the 48<sup>th</sup> Ward Zoning/Planning Committee and the Senn (High School) Strategic Plan Committee. Also continued to represent EPIC on 48<sup>th</sup> Ward Transportation Committee, three ECC committees and two ECC 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary committees.
- 2. Continued to attend monthly meetings of community policing Beat 2013 at Philadelphia Church, 5437 N. Clark, and Beat 2433 at Edgewater Library, 1210 W. Elmdale.
- 3. With the North Edgewater Beach Association, continued to conduct positive loitering neighborhood walks beginning at 7 p.m. Mondays in the late spring, summer and early fall and at 8 p.m. in late fall, winter and early spring.
- 4. Approved application for sidewalk café at St. Andrew's Pub, 5938 N. Broadway.
- 5. Supported adoption of an historic district preserving 15 designated single family residences east of Broadway.
- 6. Through President Lynn Pierce and Recording Secretary Michael Bergmann, continued to participate in Thorndale Action Task Force activities addressing public safety issues on the 1100 block of West Thorndale. Pierce is serving as chairman of the ad hoc committee.
- 7. On June 7, participated in the 14<sup>th</sup> annual Edgewater Neighborhood Garage sale with three other block clubs BARGE, Edgewater Glen Association and Edgewater North Neighbors. Pierce served as coordinator for EPIC and the community-wide sale. For the first time in 2008, EPIC asked all participants to donate one item to the sale, then contributed \$57 in proceeds to Care for Real, the Edgewater Community Council's food and clothing pantry.
- 8. Disapproved application for incidental consumption/premises liquor license at Green Village Restaurant, 5848 N. Broadway.
- 9. At request of Departments of Environment and Streets and Sanitation, recruited Blue Cart Recycling Program captains for all blocks within EPIC's jurisdictional boundaries. It has been affirmed that EPIC is the only block club in the city that has organized its entire jurisdictional area in support of this environmental initiative.
- 10. In proposed realignment of Chicago Police Department's 281 beats, urged Police Superintendent Jody Weis to reconfigure bisected northern and southern boundaries of 20<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> Districts on the 1100 block of West Thorndale.
- 11. Disapproved Broadway Bank's request to convert four parking meters from two-hour to 15-minute time limits.
- 12. Approved application for incidental consumption/premises liquor license at Abyssinia Restaurant, 5842 N. Broadway.

For more information about EPIC Block Club, visit our website at <u>www.epicblockclub.org</u> or <u>e-mail us</u>.

Submitted March 21, 2009 Lynn Pierce, 2008-2009 EPIC President